

B-3536 - B-3546
1101-1137 Battery Ave. (East side)
Baltimore, Md.
Private access

c.1855-1875

The east side of the 1100 block of Battery Ave. is improved with a number of different types of houses. 1101-1103 Battery Ave. is a pair of two story, two bay wide brick houses with gable roofs, set on high basements. The houses were built in the early 1850's and are typical of the type of small house built for low-income families in this period. 1107-1107, 1109-1111, and 1113-1115 Battery Ave. are pairs of three story, two bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built in the period 1855 to 1865 by three different builders. Extending south from 1117-1123 Battery Ave. is a row of two story, two bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and simple brick cornices, built in the early 1870's. 1125 Battery Ave. is a three story, two bay wide brick house with gable roof, and to the south, at 1127-1131 Battery Ave. there is a group of two story, two bay wide brick gable-roofed houses, built in the late 1860's. Finally, at 1133 and 1135-1137 Battery Ave. there is a group of three story, two bay wide brick houses with gable roofs, built about 1866.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

1101-1103 Battery Ave.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This pair of two story brick houses with gable roofs were built on this site in the 1850's. Both houses have been covered with formstone.

The houses are two stories in height, 14' wide, and occupy lots 35 1/2' deep. 1101 Battery Ave. has no rear additions; 1103 has a two story high, one bay deep frame addition. The houses are constructed in running bond but the facade of each has been covered with formstone. The low-pitched gable roof has a two-tier brick cornice which has also been hidden by the formstone. Each house has a hooded chimney located along both the front and rear gable roofs. At 1101 Battery the chimneys are located along the north side of the house; at 1103 they are located along the south side of the house.

Although the original treatment of the door and window lintels and sills cannot be determined because of the formstone covering, it is apparent that the first floor openings had segmentally arched brick lintels with scroll-sawed tympanums and that the second floor windows had flat lintels. All of the window openings are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. 1101 Battery Ave. has a late Victorian glass and panel door; 1103 Battery has a Mission-style door. Both doors are set beneath single light transoms. The houses sit on high basements, the entrances being reached by six wood steps each. Each house has a square-shaped basement opening located beneath the first floor windows.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1855-57

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Henry Hulsman

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This pair of houses is significant as being representative of a group of extremely modest two story, gable-roofed houses built in the southern section of Federal Hill in the 1850's and 1860's to serve as inexpensive housing for the influx of newly arrived immigrant families seeking work in harbor-related activities. Most houses of this type were held as rental property and many are located along narrow alley streets, although that is not the case here. In terms of design, the houses are basically the descendants of earlier Federal-style working class housing built in the early decades of the century, but without the usual dormer story of such houses. Because there is no dormer story the roof slope is less steep in these later versions of the style. The houses are quite small, with two rooms on each floor and a centrally located, tightly winding staircase. In these houses the kitchen was located in the high basement, with an entrance leading to it directly from the street.

The houses were built by Henry Hulsman, who operated a grocery store at what is now 301 E. Cross St. in the 1850's. These houses were part of his property, that also included 303 E. Cross St. and were undoubtedly built to provide him with rental income. (See under 301 E. Cross St.)

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 14' x 35'6"**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles5/79

STREET & NUMBER

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1745 Circle Rd.

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

RuxtonMaryland 21204

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AVE.

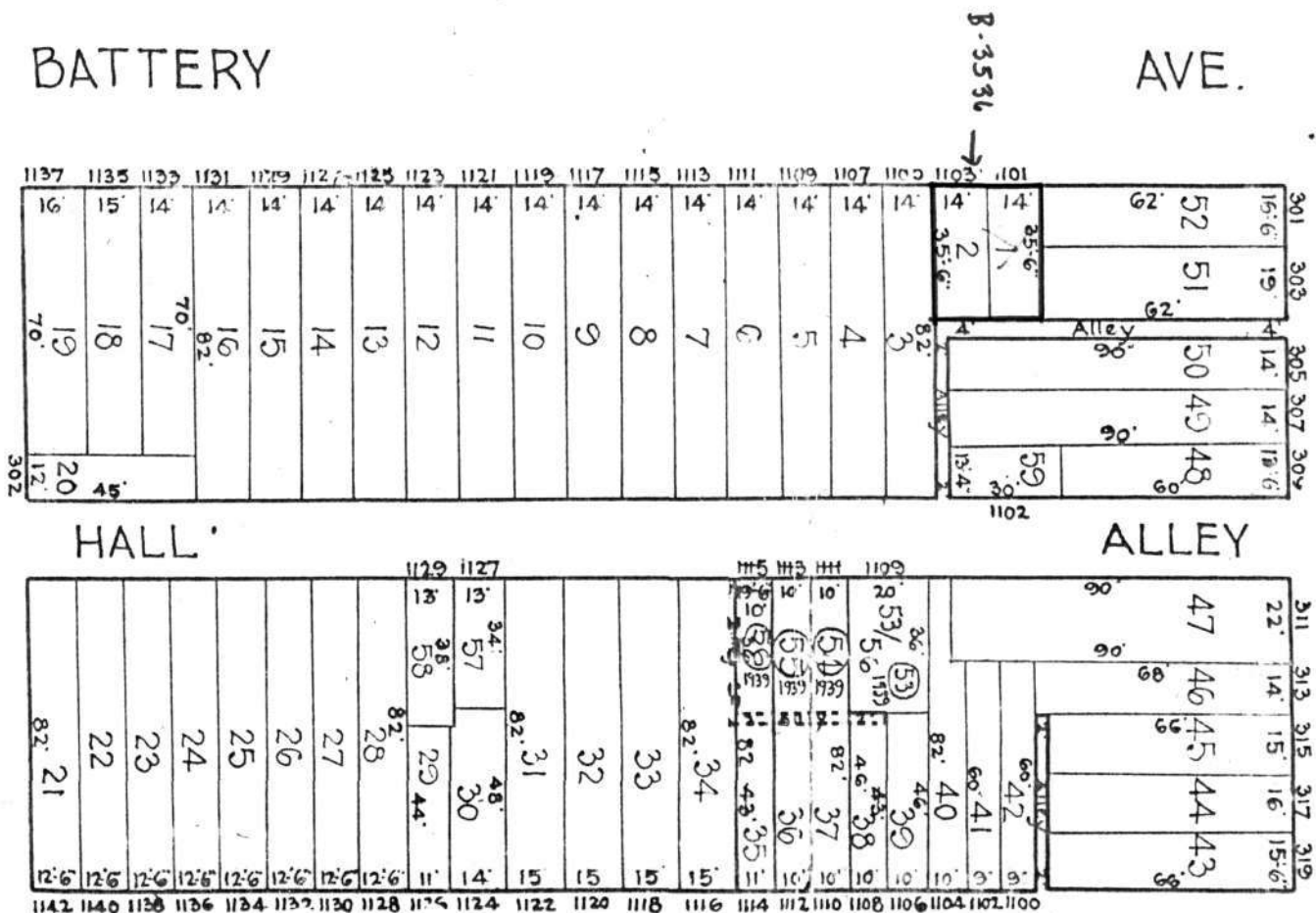
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BATTERY

HALL

RIVERSIDE

E. WEST



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Block 1918 Lots 001-002
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





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West elevation